

#### What is a Choice Neighborhood Initiative?

- A Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI) is an affordable/attainable housing program under the U.S. Housing and Urban Development Department.
- The CNI Program leverages significant public and private dollars to support locally driven strategies that address struggling neighborhoods with distressed public or HUD-assisted housing through a comprehensive approach to provide neighborhood transformation.
- Local leaders, residents, and stakeholders, such as public housing authorities, cities, schools, business owners, nonprofits, and private developers, come together to create and implement a plan that revitalizes distressed HUD housing and addresses the challenges in the surrounding neighborhood. The program helps communities transform neighborhoods by revitalizing severely distressed properties which are transformed into vibrant, affordable communities that provide high-quality mixed-income housing, services, and an improved quality of life for the neighborhood.





## **Choice Neighborhood Initiative Projects Core Project Goals**



Replace distressed public and assisted housing with high-quality mixed-income housing that is well-managed and responsive to the needs of the surrounding neighborhood.



Improve outcomes of households living in the mixed-income housing related to employment and income, health, and children's education.



Create the conditions necessary for public and private reinvestment in distressed neighborhoods to offer the kinds of amenities and assets, including safety, good schools, and commercial activity, that are important to families' choices about their community.







**Lead Project Partners:** 







**Project Support Partners:** 









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MILL CREEK
CHOICE NEIGHBORHOOD
Location Map







# MILL CREEK CHOICE NEIGHBORHOOD WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

## RESIDENT DROP-IN OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, October 18

6:00 - 7:30 рм

Come see in-progress ideas for the redevelopment of Butler Terrace and Johnson Towers. This will be a dropin open house (no presentation).

You can help build a 3D model and share you input on drawings and visions for the site.

#### **HHA RESIDENT SERVICES BUIDING**

212 Seminole DR SW, Huntsville, AL 35805

## JOHNSON TOWER RESIDENT MEETING

Thursday, October 19

4:00 - 5:30 рм

Come see and hear ideas for the new housing, gathering spaces and amenities, programs, jobs, and services. The drawings will show what the redeveloped site could look like.

There will be a short presentation on the Housing, Neighborhood, and People ideas, and then we'll break into small groups to listen to you!

#### JOHNSON TOWER RESIDENT SPACE

216 Seminole DR SW, Huntsville, AL 35805

## NEIGHBORHOOD AND RESIDENT MEETING

Thursday, October 19

6:00 рм

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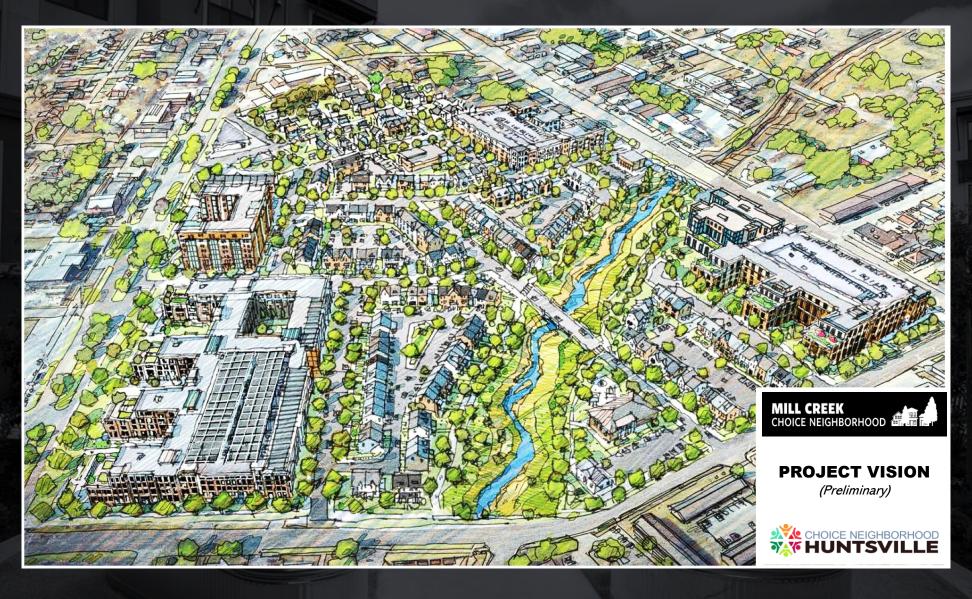
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#### **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**

125 Earl St SW, Huntsville, AL 35805



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## MILL CREEK CHOICE NEIGHBORHOOD Next Steps for HHA and City

- Community Partner Meetings (October 17<sup>th</sup>)
- Current Residents and General Public Meetings (October 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>)
- Execute Agreements with Grant Support Partners
- Complete Development Partner Selection (RFIs)
- Formalize Development Partner MOUs/Agreements
- Submit HUD Implementation Grant Application (December 11, 2023)
- Begin Preliminary Site Design
- Finalize Financial Strategy and Project Phasing















### **CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS**

**CNI Project Examples** 











